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SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:

The state Attorney General's Office honored nine Placer County Sheriff's deputies for acts of heroism at a ceremony in Sacramento this week.

Placer County Sheriff Ed Bonner proudly assisted Steve Stavely, director of the attorney general's division of law enforcement, in bestowing Peace Officer Certificates of Valor to his officers who were singled out for going above and beyond the call of duty.

Deputies Mark Weisman, Joe Herrick and Dennis Meeh were recognized for risking their own safety to save the lives of campers who had become stranded on the shore of the Middle Fork of the raging American River last winter.

Also honored were Deputies Ryan Owens, Ty Conners and Jason Davis who entered a smoke-filled home in Auburn last year and saved a disabled man and woman.

Deputy Dave Hunt was recognized for his community-policing efforts in King's Beach near Lake Tahoe and Deputy Mike Whitney was awarded for his volunteer work in the community of Sheridan. Deputy Jon Perriraz received honors for saving an injured motorist trapped in a burning car near North Lake Tahoe.

"This is another example of the quality of service that residents of Placer County enjoy from the deputies who daily risk their lives for others," Bonner said.

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